

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING SESSION – DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY  
MAY 19, 2020**

**ITEM 6**

**SUBJECT**

CONSIDERATION OF A PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND/OR AMEND FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 106 WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM GRANTS AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND AMENDMENT OF CONTRACTS USING THESE FUNDS

**DISCUSSION**

Section 106 of the federal Clean Water Act (CWA) authorizes the appropriation of monies for federal grants to assist states in administering programs for the prevention, reduction, and elimination of pollution. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) annually files an application with the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, for a continuing annual grant to fund the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Program for regulation of surface water discharges, including storm water discharges, Total Maximum Daily Load development, and surface water ambient monitoring activities.

**POLICY ISSUE**

Should the State Water Board adopt a Resolution:

1. Authorizing the Executive Director or designee to apply for, accept, and amend, as necessary, federal CWA section 106 Water Pollution Control Program grants for fiscal years 2020-2025, not to exceed \$65,000,000.
2. Authorizing the Executive Director or designee to negotiate, approve, and amend water quality management planning work plans.
3. Authorizing the Executive Director or designee to negotiate agreements or contracts to support the state's water quality planning activities and to perform all acts, and to do all things necessary and convenient to implement such agreements or contracts.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

None. Existing budget authority is currently adequate to accommodate the anticipated grant.

**REGIONAL BOARD IMPACT**

None

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

The State Water Board should:

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2. Authorize the Executive Director or designee to negotiate, approve, and amend water quality management planning work plans.
3. Authorize the Executive Director or designee to negotiate agreements or contracts to support the state's water quality planning activities and to perform all acts, and to do all things necessary and convenient to implement such agreements or contracts.